

PROCEEDINGS.

(C) EMPLOYEES.

THE ARCHIVIST MAY APPOINT ANY PERSON TO ASSIST HIM IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THE DUTIES IMPOSED BY THIS TITLE AS AUTHORIZED IN THE BUDGET. IN ADDITION, ANY EMPLOYEE OF THE HALL OF RECORDS MAY BE DESIGNATED TO ASSIST IN THE PERFORMANCE OF THESE DUTIES.

(D) MAINTENANCE OF RECORDS.

THE ARCHIVIST HAS CUSTODY OF AND SHALL MAINTAIN ALL RECORDS RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF PATENTS, INCLUDING EVERY BOOK, DOCKET, OR PAPER RELATING TO A LAND PATENT WHICH WAS FORMERLY IN THE CUSTODY OF THE COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE. HE MAY ADOPT RULES OR REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE, PRESERVATION, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE RECORDS.

(E) CERTIFICATION.

THE ARCHIVIST SHALL CERTIFY A COPY OF A LAND PATENT RECORD ON REQUEST AND AFTER THE PAYMENT OF ANY FEE REQUIRED BY LAW. THE CERTIFICATION HAS THE SAME EFFECT AS ONE MADE BY THE COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE ON JANUARY 1, 1967.

(F) SUMMONS.

THE ARCHIVIST MAY ISSUE A SUMMONS, INCLUDING A SUMMONS DUCES TECUM, TO ANY PERSON TO APPEAR AND TESTIFY AT ANY DEPOSITION OR HEARING AUTHORIZED BY THIS TITLE. THE SUMMONS MAY BE ISSUED WITH OR WITHOUT THE REQUEST OF ANY PARTY TO A PROCEEDING BEFORE THE ARCHIVIST. THE SUMMONS SHALL BE DIRECTED TO AND SERVED, IN THE SAME MANNER AS ANY OTHER CIVIL PROCESS, BY THE SHERIFF OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE PERSON SUMMONED RESIDES OR HAS A PLACE OF BUSINESS, AND IT SHALL BE RETURNABLE TO THE ARCHIVIST. ON RECEIVING PROOF OF SERVICE OF THE SUMMONS AND NONCOMPLIANCE BY THE PERSON SUMMONED, THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE COUNTY WHERE THE HEARING OR DEPOSITION IS TO BE CONDUCTED SHALL ISSUE ITS ORDER FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE SUMMONS. THE COURT SHALL CHARGE THE COSTS OF THE PROCEEDING TO THE PERSON SUMMONED. FAILURE TO OBEY THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE CIRCUIT COURT IS PUNISHABLE AS CONTEMPT.

(G) NATURE OF PROCEEDINGS.

ANY PROCEEDING RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF A PATENT AND ALL PAPERS, DOCKETS, ORDERS, AND DECISIONS RESULTING FROM THE PROCEEDING HAVE THE SAME FORCE AND EFFECT AS THE PROCEEDINGS OF A COURT OF RECORD, AND SHALL BE PROVED IN